Mediation/Restitution Program



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Track I

How It Works→



The victim is contacted to see if he or she wants to participate.



The offender makes restitution payments.



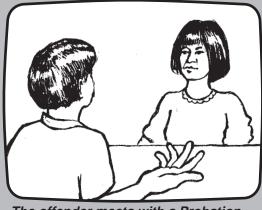
An offender pleads guilty/no contest or is found guilty before the court.



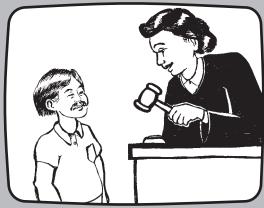
If the victim agrees, then a mediation is held with the victim, offender, and trained mediators.



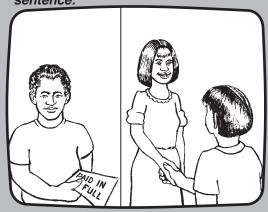
The Probation Officer checks progress, helps with problems.



The offender meets with a Probation Officer and asks to be in the Mediation/Restitution Program.



If the mediation results in an agreement and the court agrees, then the agreement is incorporated into the offender's sentence.



As a result of mediation, the restitution agreement is followed and the parties are satisfied.

Mediation/Restitution Program

he purpose of the Program is to provide an opportunity for crime victims and offenders to work out an acceptable plan addressing the harm caused by the crime. This meeting will take place with trained mediators at the Neighborhood Justice Center, 200 N. Vineyard Blvd., Suite 320.

Victim benefits

- · Monetary restitution
- Lessen victimization
- Get answers from offender concerning the crime
- · Gain a sense of justice

Offender benefits

- Take responsibility for actions
- Participate in setting sentence terms
- Gain understanding of the effects of crime

Community benefits

- Offenders being held accountable
- Responsive courts
- Better chance of restitution payment

What Is Expected?

Offenders are expected to:

- Participate in the mediation and answer the victim's questions
- · Make restitution payments on time as agreed
- Notify their Probation Officer of any problems

Victims are expected to:

- Provide accurate loss information
- Participate in the mediation
- Inform the Probation Officer of any problems

Program staff are expected to:

- Provide necessary assistance
- Be aware of any problems
- Talk monthly with the offender

Questions? Please call or write:

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